

Prayer Themes

2023/2024

Autumn Term

Month	W/C	Theme	Significant Dates
SEPT	4	Fresh starts and New Beginnings	Season of Creation 1 st September – 4 th October Feast of the Nativity of the BVM 8th Sept World Suicide Prevention Day 10th Sept
	11	FCJ Values: Excellence/Creation Time	Rosh Hashanah begins 15 th September Exaltation of the Holy Cross 14th Sept Home Mission Day 20th Sept Our Lady of Sorrows 15th Sept
	18	FCJ Values: Hope/Creation Time	Marie Madeleine's birthday 21 st September – Kindness Day
	25	FCJ Values: Dignity/Creation Time	Harvest Festival Sunday 1 st October Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels 29th Sept
OCT	2	Creation Time/Harvest/Black History Month	Harvest Fast Day 4th Oct End of Creation time and Feast of St Francis Assisi 4 th October Start of Black History Month 1 st October Our Lady of the Rosary 7th Oct
	9	The Rosary/Black History Month	
	16	FCJ Values: Companionship/Black History Month	St Pope John Paul II 22nd Oct
	23	FCJ Values: Justice/Black History Month	
	30	HALF TERM	All Saints day 1st Nov All Souls Day 2 nd Nov
NOV	6	Remembrance	Armistice Day 11th Nov Remembrance Sunday 12th Nov
	13	Peace	

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NOV	20	Thanksgiving	Thanksgiving 23rd Nov Christ the King 26 th Nov
	27	Prayers for the needs of the world and for young people.	First Sunday in Advent 3 rd December St Andrew's Day 30th Nov Migrants Day 3rd Dec St Francis Xavier 3rd Dec Bible Sunday 6th Dec World Aids Day 1st Dec Day for the abolition of slavery 2nd Dec Day for disabled people 3rd Dec
DEC	4	ADVENT - Expectation	Hanukkah Begins 7th Dec Immaculate Conception 8th Dec Feast Day 8 th Dec Human Rights Day 10th Dec
	11	ADVENT – Preparation	
	18	ADVENT - Celebration	

Spring Term

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JAN	8	Epiphany	Epiphany 7 th January The Baptism of the Lord 8 th January Peace Day 14th Jan
	15	Prayers for Peace and Non-Violence Prayers for Christian Unity	Prayers for Christian Unity 18-25th Jan
	22	Prayers for Racial Justice	The Conversion of St Paul 25 th Jan Racial Justice 28 th Jan
	29	Prayers for consecrated life	Presentation of the Lord 2nd Feb
FEB	5	Prayers for victims of human trafficking and modern day slavery/Prayers for the sick.	St Josephine Bakhita - Prayers for victims of trafficking 8 th Feb Chinese New Year 10 th Feb World Day for the Sick 11th Feb Our Lady of Lourdes 11th Feb
	12	Half Term	Shrove Tuesday 13th Feb Ash Wednesday 14th Feb
	19	LENT	
	26	LENT	
MAR	4	LENT	Women's World Day of Prayer 4th Mar
	11	LENT	St Patrick's Day 17th Mar St Joseph 19th March
MAR	18	LENT	Palm Sunday 24 th March Anniversary of the Foundation of the FCJ

	25	HOLY WEEK	Maundy Thursday 28 th March Easter Day 31 st March
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Summer Term

Month	W/C	Theme	Significant Days
	15	Easter Joy	World Day of Prayer for Vocations 21st April
	22	Prayers for Vocations	St George's Day 23rd Apr
	29	Prayers for students preparing for exams	St Joseph the Worker 1st May
MAY	6	Ascension of the Lord	Ascension of the Lord 9th May
MAY	13	Mary, Mother of God	Pentecost 19th May
	20	The Holy Spirit	The Most Holy Trinity 26 th May Anniversary of Marie Madeleine's Vow of Chastity Trinity Sunday 1817
	27	HALF TERM	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 31 st May Corpus Christi 2 nd June
JUNE	3	Summer	Sacred Heart of Jesus 7th June
	10	Celebrating Life	Day for Life 16th June Father's Day 16 th June
	17	The Sacred Heart of Jesus	
	24	Summer Saints	Sts John Fisher and Thomas More 22nd June St Peter and Paul 29th June St Maria Goretti 6 th July St Benedict 11 th July St Ignatius of Loyola 31 st July St Bridget of Sweden 23 rd July
JULY	1	FCJ Value: Gentleness	St Thomas 3 rd July
	8	Prayers for the needs of our school and our world.	St Benedict 11 th July
	15	End of Term Prayers	
	22	End of Term Prayers	St Mary Magdalen 22 nd July St Bridget of Sweden 23 rd July
		END OF TERM	